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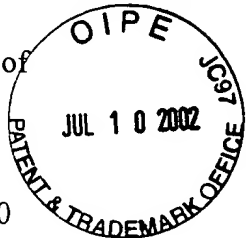
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the U.S. Application of

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For: **DOCUMENT STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL SYSTEM (As Amended)**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fee and initial examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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Please cancel claim 28 without prejudice or disclaimer.

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Please re-write claims 1, 14, and 23

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1. (Amended) A trade records information management system for storing, searching, and retrieving data pertaining to financial transactions, comprising: